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The Honorable Michael McCaul
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Chairman McCaul,

The Boeing Company supports your efforts on the National Cybersecurity and Critical Infrastructure Protection Act of 2013 (H.R. 3696) and appreciates the hard work and collaboration you and your staff have demonstrated over the many months it has taken to craft this legislation. Boeing, like many institutions in the United States, is being constantly challenged by cyber attacks, which are rapidly increasing in number and sophistication.

H.R. 3696 provides authorization and direction for activities of the Department of Homeland Security and other agencies that will strengthen and focus efforts as the government works in partnership with the private sector to increase defensive capabilities. It provides for the development of best practices and the expansion of information sharing, which are approaches we all agree should receive high priority. We appreciate the provision in the bill allowing Sector Specific Agencies (SSA) to enter into sharing arrangements with more than one Information Sharing and Analysis Center (ISAC).

We also welcome the expansion of the SAFETY Act to cover product liability for cyber incidents, as well as the initiatives to ensure the availability of adequately trained personnel to work in the cybersecurity field. However, we do maintain that reasonable liability protection for information sharing must be added to the bill to incentivize and achieve the robust level of partnership that will be needed to be effective.

We look forward to working with you on finalizing the bill as it moves forward.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tim Keating". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end of the last name.

Tim Keating

Cc: The Honorable Bennie G. Thompson, Ranking Member, Homeland Security Committee

The Honorable Patrick Meehan, Chairman, Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies Subcommittee

The Honorable Yvette D. Clarke, Ranking Member, Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies Subcommittee